

**Privileges of the Floor:****Page S7556**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 26, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7583.)

## ***Committee Meetings***

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### **AVIATION DELAYS AND CUSTOMER SERVICE**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation concluded oversight hearings on the growth and causes of airline flight delays and cancellations, and airline efforts to improve customer service, after receiving testimony from Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, and Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; and Edward Kragh, Newark, New Jersey, on behalf of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association.

### **NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of the United States National Missile Defense (NMD) program, focusing on the threat posed by long-range ballistic missile deployment, NMD development and deployment effort, cost of the system, and its impact on international security, including arms control, after receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense.

### **FIREFIGHTER INVESTMENT AND RESPONSE ENHANCEMENT ACT**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on S. 1941, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide assistance to fire departments and fire prevention organizations for the purpose of protecting the public and firefighting personnel against fire and fire-related hazards, after receiving testimony from Senators Dodd and DeWine; Representatives Pascrell and Curt Weldon; Luther L. Fincher, Jr., Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Chiefs; E. James Monihan, Lewes, Delaware, on behalf of the National Volunteer Fire Council; Billy Shields, Professional Fire Fighters of Arizona, Phoenix, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Fighters; and James H. Whitworth, Miami Township Fire and Emergency Medical Service, Milford, Ohio.

### **PILOT SHORTAGES**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings on the impact of pilot shortages on air service to smaller and rural markets, and certain related provisions of

S. 1855, to establish age limitations for airmen, after receiving testimony from Senators Murkowski and Inhofe; L. Nicholas Lacey, Director, Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; Duane E. Woerth, Air Line Pilots Association, International, Herndon, Virginia; Paul Emens, Pilots Against Age Discrimination, Annapolis, Maryland; Deborah C. McElroy, Regional Airline Association, Washington, D.C.; and Linda Barker, Business Aviation Services, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on behalf of National Air Transportation Association.

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 701, to provide Outer Continental Shelf Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

### **WATER PROJECTS**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings on S. 2877, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study on water optimization in the Burnt River basin, Malheur River basin, Owyhee River basin, and Powder River basin, Oregon, S. 2881, to update an existing Bureau of Reclamation program by amending the Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956, to establish a partnership program in the Bureau of Reclamation for small reclamation projects, and S. 2882, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies to augment water supplies for the Klamath Project, Oregon and California, after receiving testimony from Larry Todd, Acting Director of Operations, and Robert T. Anderson, Counselor to the Secretary of the Interior, both of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Peter Carlson, Will and Carlson, Inc., on behalf of the Oregon Water Resources Congress, and James R. Waltman, Wilderness Society, both of Washington, D.C.; and Roger Nicholson, Resource Conservancy, Inc., Fort Klamath, Oregon.

### **LOW ACTIVITY RADIOACTIVE WASTE**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded hearings on issues relating to the disposal of low activity radioactive waste, focusing on the respective roles that state and federal agencies have played in regulating low activity waste and whether the standards used present an acceptable

risk to human health and the environment, after receiving testimony from Joseph W. Westphal, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of Defense; Carl J. Paperiello, Deputy Executive Director for Materials, Research and State Programs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Michael Shapiro, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency; L. Max Scott, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge; and David E. Adelman, Natural Resources Defense Council, and Scott Slesinger, Environmental Technology Council, and Anthony J. Thompson, Shaw Pittman, on behalf of the Uranium Recovery Industry, all of Washington, D.C.

#### ENERGY/FUEL/LAND USE TAXATION

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Taxation and IRS Oversight concluded hearings to examine certain Federal income tax provisions that may effect energy and fuel use, provisions of Federal income, estate, and gift tax law that may effect land use conservation and preservation, and proposals to lower United States dependency on foreign oil used in transportation fuels (including tax incentives to promote the use of alternative fuel vehicles and to increase domestic oil production), after receiving testimony from Jonathan Talisman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy; Mayor H. Brent Coles, Boise, Idaho, on behalf of the United States Conference of Mayors; Virginia S. Gorday, Portman Holdings, Atlanta, Georgia, on behalf of the Real Estate Roundtable; Samuel R. Staley, Reason Public Policy Institute, Los Angeles, California; Alan Front, Trust for Public Land, and Elizabeth Thompson, Environmental Defense, both of Washington, D.C.; Guy F. Donaldson, Pennsylvania Farm Bureau, Camp Hill, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Austin Cleaves, Nature Conservancy, Arlington, Virginia; and Jerry Townsend, Highwood, Montana, on behalf of the Montana Land Reliance.

#### FATHERHOOD INITIATIVES

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy concluded hearings to examine the importance of non-custodial fathers in the lives of their children, and various fatherhood initiatives that encompass public and private efforts to help non-custodial fathers meet both financial and parenting responsibilities to their children, after receiving testimony from Senators Domenici, Kohl, and Bayh; Florida State Representative Evelyn Lynn, Daytona Beach, on behalf of the National Conference of State Legislatures; and Charles A. Ballard, Institute for Responsible Fatherhood and Family Revitalization, Jeffery M. Johnson, National Center for Strategic Nonprofit Planning and Community Leadership, and David L. Levy, Children's Rights Council, all of Washington, D.C.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Richard A. Boucher, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Sarbanes, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### LATIN AMERICA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism concluded hearings to examine environmental protection from rapid economic and population growth, and unsustainable land-use practices in the Latin America and Caribbean region, and the role of USAID and multilateral development banks in addressing environmental degradation in that area, after receiving testimony from Carl H. Leonard, Deputy Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, Agency for International Development; Joseph E. Eichenberger, Director, Office of Multilateral Development Banks, Department of the Treasury; Alexander F. Watson, Nature Conservancy, Arlington, Virginia; and Billie R. DeWalt, University of Pittsburgh Center for Latin American Studies, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY COOPERATION

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee held hearings on S. 1016, to provide collective bargaining for rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions, receiving testimony from David M. Smith, Solicitor, Federal Labor Relations Authority; Frederick H. Nesbitt, International Association of Fire Fighters, R. Theodore Clark, Jr., Seyfarth, Shaw, Fairweather, and Geraldson, on behalf of the National League of Cities, U.S. Conference of Mayors, National Association of Counties, National Public Employer Labor Relations Association, and International Personnel Management Association, and Gilbert G. Gallegos, Fraternal Order of Police, all of Washington, D.C.; and Gerald Flynn, International Brotherhood of Police Officers, Alexandria, Virginia.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

#### NATIVE AMERICAN GRAVES PROTECTION

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine issues related to the implementation of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (P.L. 101-601) by the Department of the Interior, including assessment of the progress made during the last 10 years and what remains to be done, timely publishing of repatriation notices, assessment of civil penalties, and adherence to policy, after receiving testimony from Katherine H. Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnerships, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Armand Minthorn, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Pendleton, Oregon, and Martin E. Sullivan, Historic

St. Mary's City, St. Mary's City, Maryland, both on behalf of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Review Committee; Rebecca Tsosie, Arizona State University College of Law, Tempe; Jefferson Keel, Chickasaw Nation, Ada, Oklahoma; Pemina Yellow Bird, Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, New Town, North Dakota; Alan Downer, Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Rosita Worl, University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau, on behalf of the Sealaska Heritage Foundation, Sealaska Corporation, and Alaska Federation of Natives; Robert P. Gough, Rosebud, South Dakota, on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe; Suzan Shown Harjo, Morning Star Institute, W. Richard West, National Museum of the American Indian, on behalf of the American Association of Museums, and Keith W. Kintigh, Society for American Archaeology, all of Washington, D.C.; and W. Donald Duckworth, Bishop Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii.

#### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Michael J. Reagan, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, and Mary H. Murguia, James A.

Teilborg, and Susan Ritchie Bolton, each to be a United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Reagan was introduced by Senator Durbin, and Ms. Murguia, Mr. Teilborg, and Ms. Bolton were introduced by Senator Kyl and Representative Pastor.

#### NARCOTIC ECSTASY THREAT

*United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control:* Caucus concluded hearings to examine the domestic threat of addiction to the narcotic known as Ecstasy, and related provisions of S. 2612, to combat Ecstasy trafficking, distribution, and abuse in the United States, after receiving testimony from Donald R. Vereen, Jr., Deputy Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Rand Beers, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Raymond W. Kelly, Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; Richard A. Fiano, Chief of Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; Steven S. Martin, University of Delaware Center for Drug and Alcohol Studies, Newark; and Amy Ross, Arlington, Virginia.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 4942–4960; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 380. **Page H7002**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 4464, to amend the Small Business Act to authorize the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to make grants and to enter into cooperative agreements to encourage the expansion of business-to-business relationships and the provision of certain information, amended (H. Rept. 106–784);

H.R. 4530, to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a New Market Venture Capital Program (H. Rept. 106–785).

H.R. 4942, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–786);

H.R. 2462, to amend the Organic Act of Guam, amended (H. Rept. 106–787);

H.R. 4807, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend programs established under the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources

Emergency Act of 1990, amended (H. Rept. 106–788);

H.R. 4868, to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, to make other technical amendments to the trade laws, amended (H. Rept. 106–789);

H. Res. 563, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4942) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–790);

H.R. 2348, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost sharing for the endangered fish recovery implementation programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins, amended (H. Rept. 106–791); and

H.R. 4320, to assist in the conservation of great apes by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of countries within the range of great apes and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of great apes, amended (H. Rept. 106–792). **Page H7001**

**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Cooksey to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

**Page H6779**